മിസ്റ്റർ എ. കെ. കുഞ്ഞുമൊയ്തീൻ.—തുക്കമെടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

പ്രസിഡെണ്ടു.—മിസ്റ്റർ നാരായണയ്യർ, ഇതെങ്ങിനെ ചെയ്തു, കമ്മത്തിയായിട്ടോ തുക്കമെടുത്തിട്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എം. ഡി. നാരായണയ്യർ.—രണ്ടുമുണ്ടു്.

പ്രസിഡെണ്ടു്.—ചിലരുടുക്കു നിരക്കുങ്ങളല്ലോ. അതിനു കമ്മത്തി വേണോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എം. ഡി. നാരായണയ്യർ.—ചിലരുടയൊഴിച്ചു മറെറല്ലാം കമ്മത്തി.

പ്രസിഡെണ്ടു.—നിരക്കിനെപ്പററിയായിരിക്കും പറയുന്നതു്. അവിടെ എന്താ? ഇവിടെ ഫ കു. ർ ണ. യൊക്കെയുണ്ടു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. കെ. കുഞ്ഞുമൊയ്തീൻ.—അവിടെയും ഫ കു. ർണ. ഒക്കെയുണ്ടു്.

എഫ്. അവിടെ പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുള്ള അക്ഷേപങ്ങളം എന്തെല്ലാമാണു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ എം. ഡി. നാരായണയ്യർ.—കണ്ടാക്ടർ തിരുവതാംകൂറുകാരനാണു്, പ്രാപ്പാളിയുടെ ചാച്ചുക്കാരനാണു, എന്തെല്ലാമാണു?

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. കെ. കുഞ്ഞുമൊയ്തീൻ.—പണിനടത്തുന്നതു ആഴിക്കൽ തിരുവിതാംകൂറിൽ നിന്നാണു വിറകുവാങ്ങുന്നതു.

മിസ്റ്റർ എം. ഡി. നാരായണയ്യർ.—അല്ല, പള്ളിപ്പുറം.

പ്രസിഡെണ്ടു.—അക്കരയും ഇക്കരയും.

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. കെ. കുഞ്ഞുമൊയ്തീൻ.—വലിയപുഴ കടക്കണം തായ്രയെ ഉള്ളു.

പ്രസിഡെണ്ടു.—അവിടെ ആളില്ലെ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എം. ഡി. നാരായണയ്യർ.—ഇപ്പോൾ അവിടന്നു തന്നെയാണു.

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. കെ. കുഞ്ഞുമൊയ്തീൻ.—ശവമേമണ്ടു ടശ്ശിൽ ഓവർസിയർ ഒരു പ്രാവശ്യം മാത്രമെ പോയിട്ടുള്ളു എന്നു പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുള്ളതു ശരിയാണോ?

Mr. M.D.Narayana Ayyar.—I have asked the Mechanical Assistant. He said that the overseer travelled only once.

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. കെ. കുഞ്ഞുമൊയ്തീൻ.—ഞാൻതന്നെ ഒന്നിലധികം പ്രാവശ്യം കണ്ടിട്ടുണ്ടു്.

Vaipukara road.

131. Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) what is the length of the main central road that traverses the Vaipukara starting from the British boundary at Azhikkal on the south and extending to the Travancore boundary at Munampam on the north and what is its uniform breadth;

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(2) what is its breadth in the widest portion; what is its breadth at the narrowest portion;

(3) is it under any sort of maintenance; if so, who is doing it; what was the amount spent during each of the last 3 years;

(4) how many bridges span the canals that cut the road; what are their names, what is their condition; how many of them are in good repairs; how many of them require immediate attention;

(5) who is in charge of these bridges; does any officer of the P. W. D. inspect these bridges at stated intervals to report on their condition;

(6) is the Government aware that crowded processions going along the road have to go over the bridges, and that the unsafe condition of some of the bridges and their approach is causing hardship and danger to the public;

(7) what is the breadth of the bridges; are the new constructions made narrower still; is the Government aware that there is a general complaint about the policy of making the bridges narrower?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(1) Length is about 13 miles.

(2) So far ascertained the average width varies from 20 to 30 feet. In some places it is wider and in some narrower.

(3) The answer is in the negative.

(4) A list is appended. (*Vide Appendix I*).

(5) The bridges constructed by the P. W. D. in recent years are under that Department. They were all inspected in 1104 and steps are taken to inspect them in future every year.

(6) Government have no information.

(7) The width of the bridges constructed by the P. W. D. is 4 feet. Orders were issued last year to increase the width to 5 feet. These are only foot bridges and this width is quite sufficient. Government are not aware of any general complaint.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—(3). Why the road is not under any maintenance at all ?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—He means the road from Vypeen to Pallippuram.

President.—It is not maintained at all.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—My question is why it is not maintained.

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—The P. W. D. is responsible only for the maintenance of roads under the P. W. D. budget. This road is not in the budget.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—I wish to know why it should not come in the budget.

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Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—You can hardly expect an answer from me for that question.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—I ask the question to the Government and not to the Chief Engineer personally.

President.—Why did not you look to the maintenance of this Vaipukara road?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—That is not a road at all.

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—It is only a stretch of land.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Why not Government give a road? They said it is no road.

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—There is a road but not a metalled road. That is only a sandy place. It is very expensive to make a metalled road from Azhikode to Pallippuram. The question is whether a metalled road is wanted.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Are you saying that a sandy place requires no attention?

President.—Are there any defects in the road? There may be some culverts not in order. Do you want this to be maintained or a metalled road for taking cars? As it is a sandy road, is there any obstruction as such?

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Some people find it very difficult.

President.—Are there no avenue trees?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—There are cocoanut trees on both sides and all along.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Not all along.

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—Most.

President.—The attention of the Government must be drawn to it and some arrangement must be made for maintaining it. Do you press for it being metalled?

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—That is our desire. Then (4). I see that there are 11 bridges of which 7 are under dis-repair. The reconstruction of the two Narakkal bridges has been sanctioned and provision made for the work in the current year's budget as item No. 3 and estimates are being got ready. How long were these bridges remaining in that condition, with the contemplation of doing some work in the shape of repairs or reconstruction?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—They must have been in this condition for some months past. That is why we reported to the Government last year for sanction for the reconstruction and they are under reconstruction now.

Mr. M.A. Chakko.—How long were they in this condition?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—We have no definite information.

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Mr. M. A. Chakko.—I wish to be enlightened on (6). The bridges are four feet wide. How many people can go abreast a bridge which is four feet wide ?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—It is only intended for one man to go abreast.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Suppose 200 people have to go along in a procession. What time will it take ?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—I cannot give.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—I want to show what the condition of the hridge was before the P. W. D. took the reconstruction recently.

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.— These footbridges are intended only for one man to pass at a time.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Suppose a procession wants to pass. Then how can they get across ?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—Walking one behind the other. If all the people want to cross at the same time, then a bridge 800 feet wide will have to be constructed.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Single file marching is rather hard. I wish to know the width of the bridge before the last reconstruction.

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—That is, of the present bridge?

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Before the last reconstruction.

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—Government have no information.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—And you are just proposing to increase it by one foot.

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—Yes.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.— The land is becoming more and more populous, there are many churches and temples and schools and other institutions all along the road and connected with churches and connected with the temples there are many festivals and there will be processions and marriages and funerals, and all these have to pass on the P. W. D. roads and a bridge 4 feet wide. The Chief Engineer proposes to increase this 4 feet by one foot. The idea is that single file marching will be quite sufficient. I just want to bring to the notice of the Government that people have to go four or five abreast on such occasions, and there will be necessity of passing and repassing and crossing. So, I would bring to the notice of the Government that a width of five feet is not enough.

Roads in Adur Constituency.

മിസ്റ്റർ ഐ. ഇ. അനുക്കൻ.—(a) അഡൂർ നിയോജകമ
ണ്ഡലത്തിൽപ്പെട്ട പല വില്ലേജുകളിലുമായി ൽ വഴികൾഉണ്ടാ

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Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) Under Article 201, C. S. R.

(2) Yes; in the interests of Government Service.

(3) The question is not intelligible.

APPENDIX I.

(Vide answer to Question No. 131.)

List of bridges on the road that traverses the Vypukkara from Azhikkal to Munampam.

Serial No.	Local name of the bridges	Span total	Remarks
1	Bridge over Vadakkapuram thodu, Pallippuram	62—0	R. C. footbridge. Iron grils of the concrete structure requires covering up and plastering is necessary for the bottom side of the deck.
2	Bridge over Karithala thodu, Cherai	52—0	Timber top bridge. Fair condition. It is desirable to replace this with an R. C. bridge.
3	Bridge over the Komaranthi thodu in Cherai	62—0	R. C: footbridge in fair condition.
4	do do		Timber top bridge. This is being reconstructed now with R. C.
5	Bridge over Ayyampalli or Bomblaye thodu		Timber top bridge. Stand in need of repairs.
6	Do over Kuzhuppilli or Chathangat thodu		do do
7	Bridge over Pazhangat thodu	41—0	R. C. bridge in good condition.
8	Bridge over Aninjil thodu		Timber top bridge. Being reconstructed with R. C.
9	Two bridges over Nayarambalam thodu		Timber top bridges and stand in need of repairs.
10	Two bridges over Narakkal thodu		Timber top bridge. The reconstruction of these bridges has been sanctioned and provision made for the work in the current year's budget as item No. 3. Estimates are being got ready.

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